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Bearcat pitcher drafted by pros

"California Here I Come" could be the favorite song of Mark Miller, a pitcher for the NWMSU baseball team for the past two seasons.

Miller, a lefthander who came to Maryville to play for the Bearcats in 1975, was selected in the 22nd round of last week's free agent draft by the California Angels and will be going to Idaho Falls, Id., on June 19 to play for the Angels' Pioneer League affiliate.

Drafted by the Angels in January, 1975, Miller chose to turn down the offer and finish his junior college career at Central Arizona College and then continue his education and baseball career at NWMSU.

"Mark's definitely a good prospect," said his baseball coach Jim Wasem. "If he can get with a good pitching coach who can give him confidence in his curve ball, he'll do all right. I expect him to have a really good summer in the Pioneer League and develop from there."

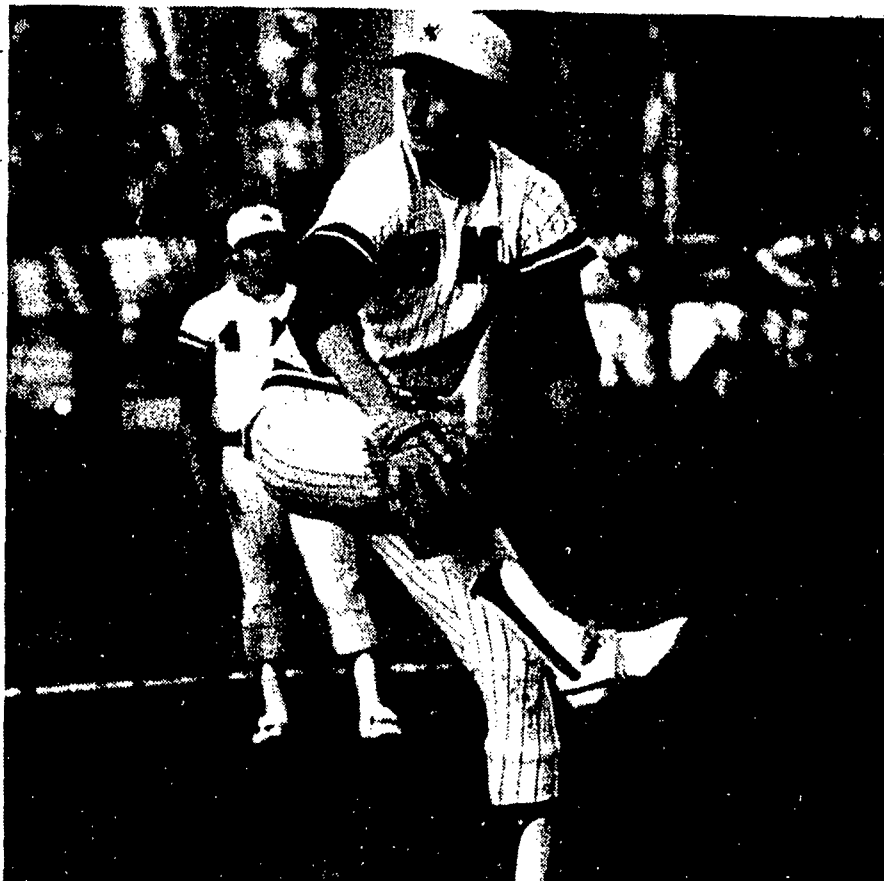
The statistics demonstrate what

Wasem was referring to as Miller has struck out 138 batters and walked 76 during the 124 1/3 innings he has pitched as a Bearcat. He has also had a 3.34 earned run average at NWMSU with a 2.22 mark as a junior and a strikeout average of 10.4 per nine innings during that year. His 1976 strikeout average was the ninth best nationally in NCAA Division II.

Miller twice earned all-Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association second team selection and in 1976 was a third unit all-NCAA District V pick.

Dennis Webb, a sophomore at NWMSU, was also drafted last week, but he turned down the offer from the Kansas City Royals in order to continue his education.

Webb was chosen in the 17th round of the draft, a figure Coach Wasem was disappointed with. He anticipates that Webb will be offered another contract each year, possibly with better terms.



Mark Miller, a pitcher for the NWMSU baseball team for the past two seasons, was selected in the 22nd round of last week's free agent draft by the California Angels. Photo by Mic Jones.

Political apathy, job concern typify students

Daniel Lindley

(CPS)--What is the mood of college students according to the people who are charged with reflecting and affecting those attitudes?

A recent CPS survey of five college newsmen on student newspapers at Yale, UCLA, the University of Wisconsin at Madison, the University of Texas at Austin and Tulane University in New Orleans, La., suggests that editorial perceptions of college students' attitudes and aims are remarkably similar. In short, all five newspaper representatives agreed that: students have become politically apathetic; students are placing more emphasis on obtaining high-quality educations and on landing good jobs after graduation; demonstrations, if they have been staged at all this academic year, have been poorly attended in comparison to the political rallies that occurred in the late sixties and early seventies; students have been apathetic about campus issues, including widespread tuition hikes, as about broader political concerns.

"We have all types of wheeling and dealing in the administration--it's almost like the Nixon Administration," observed Barry Grey, staff writer for the UCLA *Daily Bruin*. Still, "there is no political resistance from the students."

Only a coalition of students, which incorporated several political causes into its platform, could drum up enough support to stage a demonstration at UCLA this year. Protesting layoffs of teaching assistants and alleged racism amongst *Bruin* staff members, around 300 noisy demonstrators recently stormed the newspaper's offices.

"We got a call ahead of time from the police," Grey recounted. "We locked the doors and then we skedaddled." Meanwhile, the demonstrators smashed a glass door and departed, reappearing only when staff members ventured near the office.

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"The campus has been very, very quiet since the trial of Bobby Seale in 1970," said John Harris, news editor of the Yale *Daily News*. Although tuition and fees there have more than doubled since 1965 to around \$7,000 per year, Harris said students have not complained. The black community at Yale, he continued, has been alienated by the Marxist rhetoric of the radical student leaders who remain.

At the University of Texas, *Daily Texan* editor Dan Malone noted that student apathy recently cost two pro-student city council candidates the election. In a city about 25 miles from the LBJ Ranch, Malone observed that the campus Young Democratic Club's membership stands at about 100, compared to around 500 members which the

campus Young Republicans boast. Business, communications, engineering and law are the largest schools on the campus, which has an enrollment of over 40,000.

"It's much more difficult to get into business and journalism school here, now," echoed Alan Kammen, campus editor of the *Daily Cardinal* and the University of Wisconsin.

"The University has a politically active past," he said, "but things are much quieter now, probably because of the recession."

Kammen noted that only eight percent of the student body turned out to vote in a recent student government election at Madison.

In the next several years, he anticipated that the University would become "more professionally directed, producing people who fit into science and business rather than into liberal arts."

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Yale *Daily News* editor Harris predicted, however, that the students' "passive acceptance of what's going on" will swing pendulum-like to civil disobedience and protests within several years. Students this year, he said, are more politically aware than they were in the previous two years and protests this year were "more forceful and better attended" than any at Yale since 1970.

Though a survey of five newsmen at large universities in different regions can hardly be accepted as comprehensive, their virtually unanimous judgments of student political attitudes suggest that college editors think they are dealing with people who care more about secure personal futures than revolution or social and political change.

Even in the face of yawning apathy, however, editors feel their papers can offer direction and obtain results.

"I think the newspaper is the most influential student organization on campus," said Greg Ptachek, editor of Tulane's newspaper, the *Hullabaloo*. "We can change things by bringing publicity to them."

Despite a fall survey which indicated that a plurality of Austin students felt the *Texan* did not "effectively represent student opinion" (the *Texan* neglected to print this survey result) editor Malone felt that his editorials will be able to persuade administrators to act as long as the paper can "get past knee-jerk criticism--our arguments have to be reasoned out."

And Kammen said that publicity can sometimes get action, but admitted that "the more I work on the paper, the less I can judge what effect it's having on the student body."



High school students spent a week of intensive study in photography last week during the journalism workshop held on campus. Photo by Mic Jones.

Summer camp tradition continues at NWMSU

Sue Barmann

Again this summer, as is a tradition at NWMSU, hordes of junior and senior high school students along with school instructors and personnel will flock to the campus for a week of crash coursing in "how-to-do anything better" from custodial work to the art of cheerleading.

Sixteen week-long workshops, clinics and camps are being conducted throughout the summer, with a total of 1,400 participants expected. Costs per person range from \$18 (plus \$12 housing) for a journalism workshop to \$120 for a tennis camp in July.

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The campers come for a week of intense instruction, inspiration and participation in the skill they wish to master. The days are filled with lectures, group sessions and time for recreation as well.

Two workshops were held before the summer session started at NWMSU. A three-day Custodial Workshop held May 31-June 2, and designed for Northwest Missouri school personnel, attracted 103 persons.

A journalism short-course, under the coordination of Linda Smith, NWMSU journalism instructor, was conducted in two separate week-long sessions. Yearbook instructions took place May 31-June 4, while newspaper students and their advisers attended the June 6-10 session. About 70 people enrolled for those courses.

Also taking place last week were the junior high vocal and band camps, directed respectively by NWMSU Assistant Professor of Music Gilbert Whitney and Associate Professor of Music Ward Rounds. Under the same direction, the

senior high school vocal and band camps are being conducted this week. An estimated 450 musicians were enrolled in the four camps.

The sixth-annual girls' basketball camp was also underway last week with seventh through ninth grade players participating. June 17 concludes the sophomore through senior players camp. Director for the camps was John Poulson, NWMSU women's basketball coach.

An estimated 500 junior high and high school cheerleaders are anticipated for the Women's Physical Education Department's seventeenth annual Cheerleading Clinic, to be held June 19-23. Dorothy Walker, assistant professor of women's physical education at NWMSU is the camp's director.

Three separate tennis camps, under the direction of Dr. John Byrd, NWMSU tennis coach, will be conducted during July. The first, to be held July 3-8 is for juniors, ages 10-17. Another junior camp is designated for July 10-15. The adult session will be held July 18-26.

Sophomore through senior high school roundballers will be infiltrating the campus July 11-15 to participate in the boys' basketball camp, under the direction of Larry Holley, NWMSU men's basketball coach. Seventh through ninth graders will participate in the next week's session July 18-22. Approximately 75 athletes are expected for each session.

The week of July 18-22 has also been established as the date for NWMSU's annual Gymnastics Camp for Women, according to Sandra Mull, University gymnastic coach. About 100 gymnasts are expected for the sixth-annual event.

With this line-up of camps, it should prove to be a hectic, exciting week for the participants and entertaining (?) to the "real" students at NWMSU as they watch the seemingly endless parade of the various groups come and go.

Maryville project discourages theft

If you are part of a growing number of people who are tired of being "ripped off," you may be interested in a new cooperative project by the Maryville Public Safety Department and the NWMSU Security Department.

Project Identification, designed to discourage theft in Maryville, is being held during the National Crime Prevention Month of June. The program involves permanently marking the owner's social security number by electrically etching it on the property--CB radio, TV set, typewriter or any other valuable, movable object. If the object to be etched is too large to bring to a Project identification site, officers are scheduling home visits to put on identifying numbers.

The service is free of charge and is now MU Faculty members visit NWMSU campus

Five faculty members from the University of Missouri, Columbia were on the NWMSU campus last Thursday to talk with 22 students involved in the two institutions' Cooperative Graduate Program that leads toward the Graduate Certificate of Specialization in Educational Administration.

Initiated by the two Universities during the summer of 1971, the sixth-year certificate program allows up to three-fourths of the graduate program to be completed on the NWMSU campus with the remainder on the Columbia campus.

The faculty members from MU visited and became acquainted with the students who are currently enrolled in the program and who will later attend MU to complete their course work.

During the day's visitation sessions, the five men joined MU's designated adviser for the students in the program, Dr. James Hart, who has been on the NWMSU campus the past two weeks teaching a two-hour course in advanced school finance.

At NWMSU, Dean of Graduate Studies Dr. Leon Miller is the administrative coordinator for the program and Dr. Stanley Wade serves as NWMSU's designated adviser.

being held on the south lawn of the Nodaway County Court House from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. June 16 and 17.

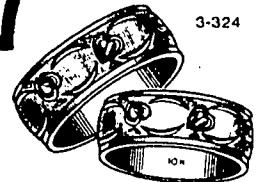
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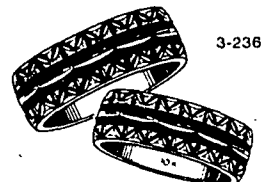
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Chamberlain album mixes ragtime and rock 'n roll

Steve Lemken

(CPS)--Six years ago, a strongly independent woman arrived in Woodstock, N.Y. with a master plan to combine the discipline of jazz with the abandon of rock 'n roll. Combining her talents with a pianist/composer she admired and befriended, she weaved together a wonderfully musical and lyrical chain, a "brand new sound with an old-time beat," dubbing it "Rag 'N Roll."

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Cathy Chamberlain and her "Rag 'N Roll" creation have escaped the small town supper club circuit, escalating to college audiences, playing any gigs that can be booked and are now grabbing New York City clubs and audiences by their usually critical ears. Chamberlain and her band, formed around a piano, drums, horns and reeds, have built up a glowing and enthusiastic crowd. The music is fresh, spunky, original. And on "Cathy Chamberlain's Rag 'N Roll Revue," her first album, the band's stage vitality and downright fun and good times quality have been successfully captured.

The music is good-time, with the spirit of that ol' ragtime, dixieland sound, done in a two-four beat and flows with the novel twist of rock 'n roll we'd love to hear other contemporary bands play. The music can't be defined in any presently laid-out category because Chamberlain and the other members, each with their roots in all of those now known, have created their own niche.

The album runs through a wide range of tunes (all arranged by Chamberlain and pianist Rich Look); love and torch songs, like "He May Be Your Man (But He Comes to See Me Sometimes)," "Epigrams" and "Debbie's Song." Another song, "See Her Run," reflects her firm feelings about feminism ("...when the wash is done, down to the dryer. You ought to try her routine.") Her rendition of "Brother Can You Spare a Dime" is a strong bond between the Depression days and today's economy and it also reflects some of her political outlook, as she feels the callousness shown to those torn by the Viet Nam War, those who fought and those who resisted.

"See Her Run" is the only live cut on the album, recorded at Reno Sweeney in New York City, and is an example of how well these musicians meld. However, in the studio, several instruments have been added, very subtly and without structurally altering the Revue's glide. David Bromberg and Elliot Randell, on electric and acoustic guitar, are surprising delights.

Chamberlain's interpretation of music, combined with an excellent vocal range, is part of the uniqueness of her increasing success. "Mack the Knife," a tune from the "Three Penny Opera" (circa 1910), points at her tribute to American music. It is closer to the original than, say, those of recent years. A musician in her own right, she plays the jug and concertina with a flair, intertwining her own roots, stemming from California, Washington and the Ozarks with ease.

Cathy Chamberlain's Rag 'N Roll Revue' is definitely not a nostalgic trip. It is something fresh that promises to continue, and once heard, you'll be "Talkin' about Rag 'N Roll" too.



The Buildings and Grounds Department Maintenance Crew probably has the honor of possessing the hottest job on campus this summer. The crew is getting a work-out keeping the grounds well-groomed for the enjoyment of those who pause to enjoy nature. Photo by Mic Jones.

—BEARFACTS—

The last date to sign up for pass-fail will be June 17.

There will be no masses held on campus or at the Newman House during the first summer session due to Father Chuck Jones' temporary absence. Masses will resume the first Sunday of second session, July 10.

The University will be sending busses to the game between the Kansas City Royals and the New York Yankees on July 15 and to Starlight Theater's production of "Hello Dolly," starring Carol Channing on July 21. Students may sign up for bus seats now at the Student Union Office. Cost will be \$7 for the ball game and \$7.50 for the play.

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Enrollment total remains stable

Sporting an increase in freshman enrollment of over 50 students, 1,563 people registered for NWMSU's first summer session by June 11.

At the end of the first day of registration 81 less students had enrolled than on registration day a year ago. But, Dr. Robert Bush, dean of admissions and student records, said that with the enrollment for the May intersession, 56 more students enrolled than the registration number shows.

There will also be several short courses offered during summer school and students register for these on the first day of the course. Together with the registration for the second summer session, these courses are expected to add about 400 students to the registration total.

In addition to the classes offered at NWMSU, the University is also scheduling courses at William Jewell College and in the North Kansas City school district.

By the end of last summer, the total had reached 1,969 and Dr. Bush is hoping that his year's final number will again near the 2,000 mark.

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Bargain hunters stalk town rummage sales

'Tis spring in Maryville, and all around the town, yards of Maryvillians are abloom with vigorous grass, lilies, blossoming shrubs, flowering trees, tables, lamps, clothing, electric skilllets and other exotica.

The annual spring-summer white elephant fever is upon the town once more and everyone wants to get into the picture. Yes, the rummage (yard, porch, garage) sale is here with the advent of fine weather and everyone is in a fever to buy, sell--or both.

Rummaging is a favorite activity of almost everyone; the allure of obtaining useful or luxury items for a whistle and a snap is almost irresistible. Newspaper classified ads beckon like the song of the Lorelei, drawing eager bargain hunters from everywhere within its radius.

Not everyone, however, will confess his addiction. While some herald their arrival and triumphant departure with unabashed glee, others seem to wander about with a guilty air, as though hoping that no one they know will see them doing something so crass as pawing about among someone else's discarded belongings.

But no matter. Rummage sales are, and always have been, a favorite institution of town life. Even more so now, perhaps, than in the past as the buying power of the dollar continues to diminish, forcing families to "make do" with what they have managed to get. New furnishings, clothing and other articles have become too dear for the pocketbooks of many who must make a shrinking budget stretch beyond the breaking point.

And there is no denying that there are bargains galore to be had for the careful seeker. People frequently sell things which are perfectly good, but which they have tired of, outgrown or replaced. For this reason, a good rummage sale can be a sort of Shangri-La for the person who manages to find just the right chair for that odd space in her living room--for a fraction of the original cost," or for the young mother with three pre-schoolers in tow, walking back to her car bearing a box of tot-sized playclothes, a look of tired satisfaction on her face.

Two men break free of the crowd, one clutching a power-saw. "I saw one of these things in the store just the other day," he confides to his companion, "and it was marked \$43.95. I got this for ten bucks--and it's hardly been used!" The acquisition of such a good buy can make a person's whole day. In fact, most people will boast about it for weeks. Who cares if someone knows that it's been used before? Working a clever buy nowadays has more status than paying an exorbitant price for something new.

For clubs and organizations, staging garage sales is a sure-fire way of bolstering the budget, even if things don't go as well as expected. Since everything is usually donated, whatever is made is theirs. It's undeniably hard work, though. Especially when there are small children around (there always are) who, in the fashion of small children since time began, have a way of needing drinks of water or a trip to the toilet at the worst possible moments.

At the end of a hard day of packing, toting, haggling, pricing, getting sunburned and just generally drug-out, many will be heard to swear that never again, no matter what, will they ever become involved in putting on another rummage sale. But come next year when the club needs money, the kids have outgrown all their clothes and that old divan just has to go--well maybe just one more time. After all they know that people will always come--if the price is right.



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Lazy, hazy summer days bring many Maryvillians in the earnest pursuit of bargains. These pictures are but a sample of the many sales which took place this weekend. Hot work, but at least it didn't rain!



Administration Building renovation awaits state money appropriation

New dressing rooms, make-up rooms, costume design and storage areas are in the planning for the Administration Building auditorium.

These improvements hinge on appropriations from a state-wide capital improvements budget that has passed the Missouri House and Senate, but is being contested by Governor Teasdale since the measure is tied with the appropriations for a new prison site in Missouri.

According to Dr. Don Petry, executive vice-president of NWMSU, "We are down to the wire and all appears positive, but we'll just have to wait and see."

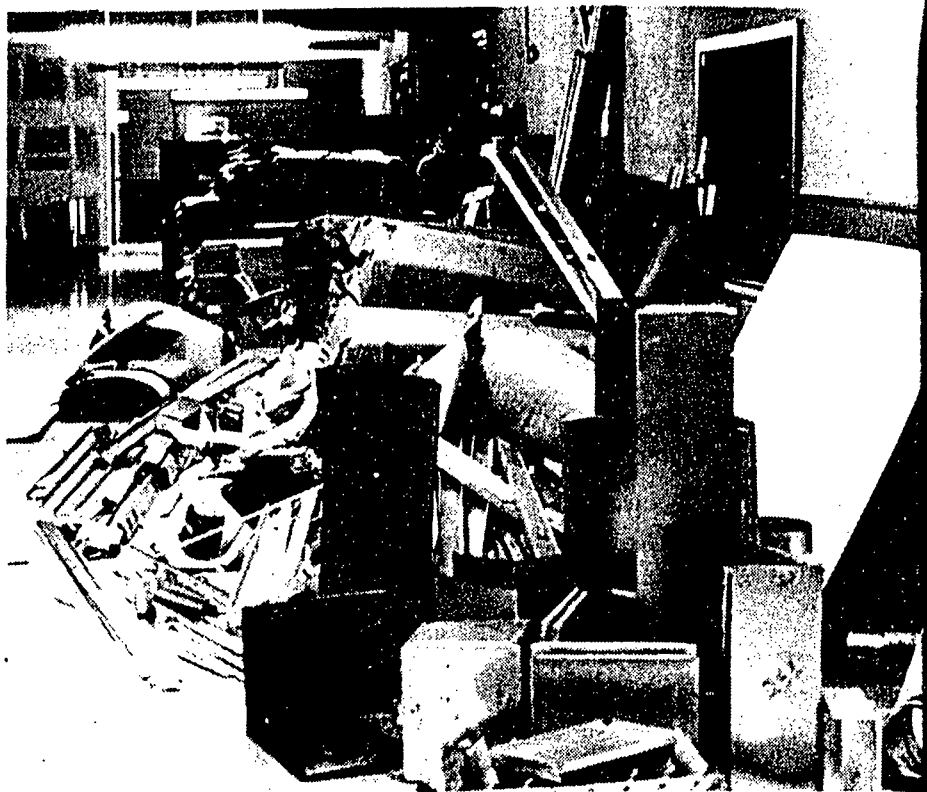
NWMSU's share in the bill includes \$616,000 for completing renovation of the Administration Building, primarily in the Speech and Theater Department. The work would also include redoing the grid work on the auditorium stage, which

means new ropes for curtains and scene changes; improved lighting, painting and restoring some of the original ornateness of the auditorium beamwork and work on the auditorium's heating system.

The Little Theater is also scheduled for a face lifting. According to Dr. Petry, this area was once used as a gymnasium and still has the original wooden floor, so the theater is first being evaluated for needed safety improvements, such as a fire sprinkling system.

The University is working directly with the Speech and Theater Department to see that specific needs are being met when possible. Hopefully, bids for the work can be let in July, with work starting soon after.

Some minor office remodeling and hallway painting will complete the renovation project, which has been in progress for several years.



The NWMSU Administration Building has been undergoing a thorough face-lifting for several years and the work is now nearing completion. The only major work remaining is the renovation of Little Theater and the Auditorium. Photo by Robert Gard.

Campus bookstore profits in a bind



Daniel W. Lindley

(CPS)--Despite the heaps of colorful T-shirts, the reams of pulp romances, the caseloads of mugs embossed with the labels of favorite brews and the brave new departments sporting aerosol sprays and toilet articles, textbooks may still be found in college bookstores. And the stores that stock them in dusty back rooms and dank basements continue to collect charges of price-gouging and inventory-skimping from their customers as well as demands for higher wages from their employees.

The booksellers blame their high prices on rising labor and paper costs. Although the textbook-makers are reluctant to release sales figures, one high-level executive in a New York publishing firm conceded recently that the golden days of college textbooks, if ever there were such days are running the gauntlet of swelling production costs and drooping university enrollments. Still, the latest Association of American Book Publishers' figures indicate that U.S. publishing houses peddled \$530 million worth of college textbooks in 1975.

Campus book-mongers, meanwhile, are bedeviled by the low profits they take selling texts.

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"Publishers only let us have a 20 percent mark-up on textbooks," one bookstore manager said. "Besides that, we have to pay freight to get our books delivered and to return the ones we don't sell. That can get expensive, especially when most professors over-and underestimate the numbers of books they'll need for their classes."

Non-textbook retail mark-ups typically average between 50 and 100 percent and higher takes are common. Not suprisingly, then, the bookstores are reaping their greatest share of profits from items other than textbooks.

Meanwhile, organizations such as Follett's, a Chicago-based company that operates book markets on campuses across the country, report that business is better and that more markets are opening up.

"We're not going downhill," reacted a Follett's spokesman. "In fact, we're doing better." He was not at liberty to indicate the degree of improvement.

A location where Follett's is not doing better is at the University of California at Santa Cruz, where a student boycott protesting low wages for bookstore employees convinced the company to pull out in June, 1976. Since then, the University has been

minding the store. Reports the manager "We're breaking even."

Student-run cooperatives have been suggested as an antidote to the high price of textbooks. So far, with the exception of Yale University and a few other campuses, co-ops have required more capital and organization than most student groups have been able to muster.

To add to the bookstores' troubles, higher prices lately have encouraged increasing theft amongst the more cost-conscious students.

High rents in college towns also have exacted their tolls on book merchants. The College Book Company, which long supplied UCLA with scholarly tomes, has been forced out of business in the fashionable Westwood area. A vice-president of the company which owned the store said in the UCLA Daily Bruin that he would like to see the building converted to "a jeans store, movie theater, fast-food place or special store--they're the only ones...that can afford to move into Westwood."

One operator of a downtown California bookstore who lures students from his campus competitor with a ten percent discount on texts notes that he can afford this policy only by conferring with professors and stocking books that have strong sale histories.

"Anyway, there's no money in bookstores," he observes. "What I'd really like to do here is to build a good restaurant."

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Computer crime rises

Helaine Lasky

(CPS)--While most people can now trust anyone over 30, dare one trust anything over 30? Well, the computer is 30 years old and rather than bow to its all-knowing, somewhat parental control over their daily lives, students have learned how to maneuver the monster's powers to their own advantage.

The computer is the King Kong of many campus records departments and without its services, many registrars would be as helpless as Fay Wray without the Air Force. But as one student at C.W. Post College in New York learned recently when the school's computer miscalculated his grade point average and almost cost him his academic scholarship, not even computers are infallible. As a result, students with only a basic knowledge of computer science have managed to get into the terminals and reprogram grades and academic schedules. At Dartmouth College, there are 350 terminals spread across campus to encourage more students to make use of the computer and in 1976, 80 percent of all Dartmouth students did some legitimate homework with the devices.

But unwarranted access to computers is sometimes gained by mistake, and herein lies a wonderland of forbidden knowledge. At Drexel University in Philadelphia, a behavioral science student was working on a computer and decided to write in machine language when he coded something wrong. By coincidence, that student hit upon the secret entry codes that admit one into the executive routine. His instructions were read into that section which became disrupted and had to be shut down for a week.

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It was no coincidence, however, several years ago when students learned how valuable the computer was and in one case, held a computer for ransom. It happened at New York University in 1972 and students took over a \$3.5 million computer owned by the Atomic Energy Commission. The machine was held hostage in lieu of payment to the Black Panthers.

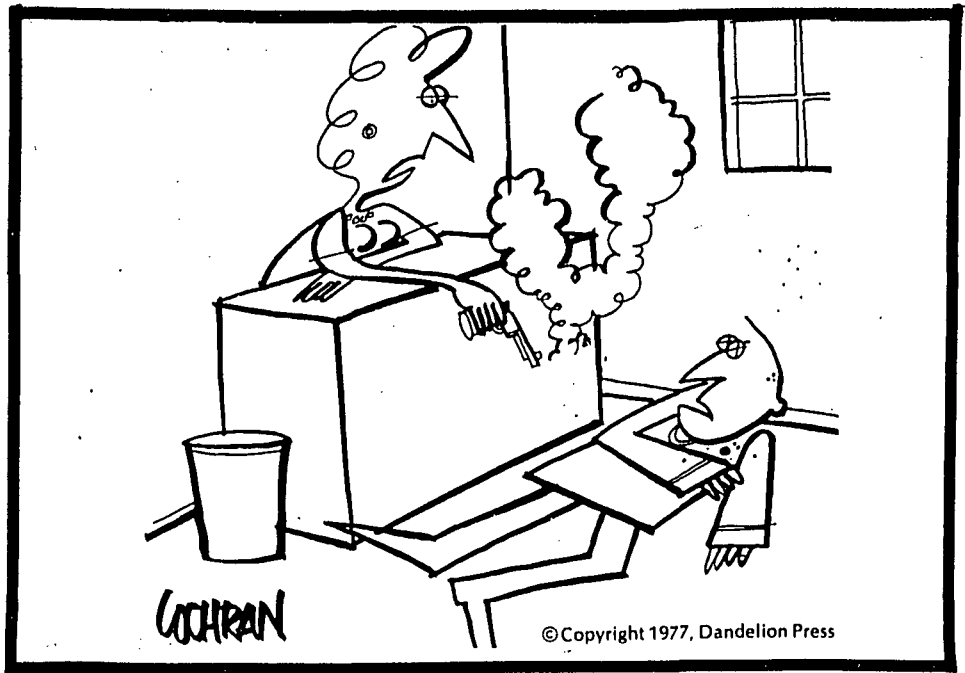
Students are not the only ones onto the computer game. An inmate now at Leavenworth Prison in Kansas sent several phony income tax returns to the IRS collecting over \$40,000 in tax refunds before he was caught and received his new address. Then there were the six men recently indicted by a federal grand jury for altering their customers' bad credit ratings, for a fee, to provide them with credit cards. Both cases involved illegal use of computers. Just another case of fraud? Not quite. Honeywell Corporation officials estimate that if merely 100 key computers were crippled, it would paralyze American business.

Would you recognize a computer criminal if you saw one? Probably not, but one man who might is Donn Parker, an information processing analyst at Stanford Research Institute in Palo Alto. Parker has talked to over 20 computer criminals and said that most of the people who commit these crimes are actually the kind that data-processing managers would like to hire, "because they are energetic and good at what they do." Since manipulating a computer's pro-

gram presents an intellectual challenge, to commit a computer crime, one would need both computer knowledge and access to the grand machine. As a result many computer crimes occur within the ranks of a company's employees.

Outsiders can get in on the action as well, without sophisticated computer knowledge, and for a start, banks provide targets for amateur criminals. Some banks offer computerized services which make deposits for and give money to customers who display a personal identification number and a special card. By obtaining another person's identification number and card, an imposter can defraud his or her friends at Chase Manhattan.

Parker has uncovered 430 cases of computer crime. "This is only the tip of the iceberg," he said. Other victims include schools, government agencies, manufacturers and insurance companies.



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Dirt paths create environmental hazard

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Wide dirt paths crisscross campus lawns in a disturbing number of areas at NWMSU. These paths are not only unsightly but actually pose a real environmental problem.

The paths on hillsides could become small gullies during a heavy rain. Water, unimpeded by grass, would rush downhill carrying valuable topsoil with it. This soil would be deposited in any level place--parking lots, sidewalks--along the path.

At the opposite end of the weather spectrum, hot summer winds may create swirling clouds of dust from these paths. Students may get dust in their eyes, hair and mouths, causing at least physical discomfort.

And again, valuable topsoil is carried away by the wind to be deposited in the dead air spaces behind buildings, cars and unsuspecting sunbathers.

But this is not the most serious damage which may result from the presence of the paths. It takes only a few moments for a

visitor to look at the campus and label an entire segment of society--college students--as lazy, uncaring and even ignorant.

It might appear that University students are too lazy to walk a few extra feet by way of the sidewalks; too uncaring to take a little extra time and show some respect for something other than themselves; and too ignorant to realize what such disrespect does to their own appearance as a social group.

And this is unfair. Not everyone walks on the paths, but those who do give a bad reputation to everyone else.

The problem could conceivably be solved merely by reseeding the paths--if students can somehow be kept on the sidewalks at least long enough for the grass to grow. But to keep the lawns in good condition, some permanent method of keeping students off the grass must be found.

One possible solution would be to fence in all grassy areas in order to protect

them. Or the worst paths could be paved over. It would seem logical that students need a sidewalk in the areas where they walk most.

Another solution would be simply to pave the entire campus. This would be initially expensive but it would eliminate the problem and much money could be saved on maintenance in the long run.

But the most acceptable solution would be to keep the responsibility for preserving the University campus in the hands of the student body. Why should fences or pavement be necessary when this campus is made up of adults who should be mature enough to respect public property.

It is apparent that some steps must be taken if NWMSU is to retain its reputation as "the most beautiful campus in Missouri."

As one coed said as she stepped off the sidewalk onto a dirt path, "these paths are ugly. They should do something about them."

THE STROLLER

Decisions, decisions, always decisions. To go or not to go to summer school yet one more year, that was the question facing the weary Stroller, omnipresent presence of the NWMSU campus.

On the one hand, he could get in a few more credits and see some of his friends, or he could trek elsewhere and do something really exciting like...like...Well, there must be something out there. The trouble was, the Stroller had been on this campus so long that he really couldn't think of anything off hand.

So it was that with a sigh, the Stroller decided to spend another summer attending classes, observing his teachers and fellow students (the latter his greatest delight).

But what to do for those deadly three weeks or so in between? After a hasty consultation with his bank, the Stroller quickly decided that he had better find a job--or else. He heard that the Buildings and Grounds Department was looking for student help, which intrigued him since this was a part of campus life with which he wasn't acquainted. Such a gap in his knowledge was unthinkable, so he strolled down forthwith and made his application, which was readily accepted. The secretary wished to know where he would like to work. Your Stroller, always one to follow the path of least resistance, asked some other students who were more experienced than he, what was the least strenuous of the various departments. They recommended the paint shop.

That was how it happened that bright and early Monday morning the Stroller sleepwalked over to the paint shop (eight o'clock in the morning was unthinkable to the Stroller) and foggily introduced himself. After he revived himself a bit with two large cups of coffee, he was able to observe that his supervisor, a jovial looking fellow, seemed to be speaking to him. The Stroller pardoned himself and listened as the supervisor inquired why he was wearing good clothes for this kind of job. The Stroller replied that these weren't really that good and besides he was very neat and was sure that he wouldn't get anything on his clothes. At the end of a day of slapping gray paint

on seemingly endless flights of stairs, the Stroller resembled nothing so much as a very large mouse or perhaps a miniature, trunkless elephant.

To make matters worse, The Stroller spent a frightful night filled with feverish fancies of formless gray creatures pursuing him, gray, miasmic swamps engulfing him and a terrifying revelation that he was actually trapped in the twilight zone where he was doomed for all time to slap gray paint on an eternal flight of stairs.

It was a shaken Stroller who awoke next morning at the ungodly hour of 7 a.m. and donned absolutely the worst garments he possessed. The rest of the crew was still jolly, relaxed and comfortable, so the Stroller began to feel better as they all sat around to chat. Eventually, however, someone suggested that they probably should do some work today, so in a better frame of mind, the Stroller cheerfully complied. His mood soon vanished, though, when he saw the supervisor happily hauling out a huge container of--yes--gray paint. It was gray paint all that day, gray paint the next day and the day after that, and the day after that.

Though your Stroller's sleep was still disturbed, there were, to be fair, other compensations of the job. Breaktimes were extraordinarily fair, there was good company to be enjoyed and at least two year's worth of Playboys and Penthouses to be collected for breaktime enjoyment.

Best of all was the time when the endless flow of gray paint stopped and the Stroller realized with a thrill of excitement that he was to be allowed to paint blue instead. He decided it was rather like the old analogy of being hit on the head--it feels so good when it stops. Such small pleasures were the best part of life, he decided.

The Stroller also found, to his surprise, that for three weeks he had hardly been able to think of summer school, let alone dread it. Even more to his surprise, he found that he was looking forward to classes, a fact that astounded him so that he was almost frightened. Had paint fumes altered his entire personality? Only time, he decided, would tell.

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